Daily Digest

HIGHLIGHTS

House committees ordered reported 11 sundry measures.

The House passed H.R. 3338, Department of Defense Appropriations and Emergency Supplemental Act for FY 2002

Senate

Chamber Action

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Measures Introduced: Six bills and two resolutions were introduced, as follows: S. 1736–1741, S. Res. 184, and S. Con. Res. 86. Page \$12100

Measures Reported:

S. 565, to establish the Commission on Voting Rights and Procedures to study and make recommendations regarding election technology, voting, and election administration, to establish a grant program under which the Office of Justice Programs and the Civil Rights Division of the Department of Justice shall provide assistance to States and localities in improving election technology and the administration of Federal elections, to require States to meet uniform and nondiscriminatory election technology and administration requirements for the 2004 Federal elections.

Measures Passed:

Native American Women's Health: Senate passed S. 1741, to amend title XIX of the Social Security Act to clarify that Indian women with breast or cervical cancer who are eligible for health services provided under a medical care program of the Indian Health Service or of a tribal organization are included in the optional medicaid eligibility category of breast or cervical cancer patients added by the Breast and Cervical Cancer Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000.

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Comprehensive Retirement Security and Pension Reform Act: Senate continued consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of H.R. 10, to provide for pension reform. Pages S12065-67, S12075-96

A unanimous-consent-time agreement was reached providing for further consideration of the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill at 9:00 a.m., Thursday, November 29, 2001, with a vote on a

motion to close further debate on the motion to proceed to consideration of the bill to occur at approximately 10 a.m. Pages S12066-67

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

James Gilleran, of California, to be Director of the Office of Thrift Supervision for the remainder of the term expiring October 23, 2002.

Randall S. Kroszner, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Council of Economic Advisers.

Eni F.H. Faleomavaega, of American Samoa, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fifty-sixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

Steven Joseph Chabot, of Ohio, to be a Representative of the United States of America to the Fiftysixth Session of the General Assembly of the United Nations. (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

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Nominations Received: Senate received the following nominations:

Francis L. Cramer III, of New Hampshire, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term expiring fifteen years after he takes office.

Kenneth P. Moorefield, of Florida, a Career Member of the Senior Foreign Service, Class of Career Minister, to serve concurrently and without additional compensation as Ambassador to the Democratic Republic of Sao Tome and Principe.

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Adjournment: Senate met at 10:30 a.m., and adjourned at 6:38 p.m., until 9 a.m., on Thursday, November 29, 2001. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Acting Majority Leader in today's Record on page \$12112.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

ANTHRAX DECONTAMINATION

Committee on Appropriations: Subcommittee on VA, HUD, and Independent Agencies concluded hearings on anthrax decontamination, focusing on efforts of both the Environmental Protection Agency and the Office of Science and Technology Policy to irradiate contaminated sites and facilities, evaluate options for ensuring mail security, and secure premises for mail distribution and maximum workplace safety, after receiving testimony from John H. Marburger III, Director, Office of Science and Technology Policy; and Christine Todd Whitman, Administrator, and Richard Rupert, Federal On Scene Coordinator, both of the Environmental Protection Agency.

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OVERSIGHT

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee held hearings to examine the Department of Justice's response to the September 11 attacks and implementation of the USA Patriot Act (P.L. 107-56), and certain Administration actions and proposals, including chartering military tribunals and permitting attorney-client communications monitoring, receiving testimony from Michael Chertoff, Assistant Attorney General, Criminal Division, Department of Justice; William P. Barr, former Attorney General of the United States, Griffin B. Bell, King and Spalding, former Attorney General of the United States, Kate Martin, Center for National Security Studies, and Neal Katyal, Yale University Law School/Georgetown University Law Center, all of Washington, D.C.; Philip B. Heymann, Harvard Law School, Cambridge, Massachusetts, former Deputy Attorney General of the United States; and Scott L. Silliman, Duke University School of Law Center on Law, Ethics and National Security, Durham, North Carolina.

Hearings will resume Tuesday, December 4, 2001.

INTELLIGENCE

Select Committee on Intelligence: Committee held closed hearings on intelligence matters, receiving testimony from officials of the intelligence community.

Committee recessed subject to call.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Measures Introduced: 15 public bills, H.R. 3357–3371 were introduced. Pages H8563-64

Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows: H. Res. 297, providing for consideration of H.R. 3210, to ensure the continued financial capacity of insurers to provide coverage for risks from terrorism (H. Rept. 107–304).

Journal: The House agreed to the Speaker's approval of the Journal of Tuesday, Nov. 27 by a yea and nay vote of 372 yeas to 39 nays with 1 voting "present," Roll No. 451.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Supporting Efforts to Reunite Americans with Their Families in North Korea: H. Con. Res. 77, expressing the sense of the Congress regarding the efforts of people of the United States of Korean ancestry to reunite with their family members in North Korea (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 420 yeas with none voting "nay," Roll No. 452); and

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Clean Diamond Trade Act: H.R. 2722, amended, to implement effective measures to stop trade in conflict diamonds (agreed to by a yea and nay vote of 408 yeas to 6 nays, Roll No. 453). Agreed to amend the title.

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Department of Defense Appropriations and Emergency Supplemental: The House passed H.R. 3338, making appropriations for the Department of Defense for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2002 by a yea and nay vote of 406 yeas to 20 nays, Roll No. 458.

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